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## DEATH COMES IN BLIZZARD'S WAKE

A Woman and Her Baby Die While Attempting to Reach a Neighbor's House

## MANY CATTLE REPORTED DEAD

News of Intense Suffering is Reported From the Vicinity of Texline, Texas

Texline, Tex., March 6.—News of intense suffering from lack of food and fuel in the country reaches Texline day after day. As roads are frozen so that people cannot get to town the condition of many inhabitants on homesteads and ranches, according to reports, is pitiable. Some deaths are also reported of people who attempted to make their way through the storm and had to succumb to the fearful odds against them. One family in Union county, New Mexico, being without fuel, started for a neighbors house a mile or so distant. In a short time they got separated and lost their way. They perished in the blizzard within a short distance of shelter. Other incidents of this kind are reported, but the exact facts are yet unknown.

Numerous reports of heavy losses of cattle and sheep all over this region continue to come in, as people from the country make their way over the snow-covered plains to town. The J. J. ranch located several miles northwest of here, is said to have lost in the neighborhood of 15,000 cattle. The P. D. W. N. I. T. and T. N. T. ranches also have suffered great loss. The sheep ranches in the northeast part of New Mexico are covered with the frozen bodies of sheep that could not find shelter during the terrible blizzard that swept the country. Railroad men state that frozen cattle are scattered all along the right-of-way between here and Amarillo. The total losses will turn up into millions of dollars in the Panhandle alone.

A case of destitution was brought to the notice of Texline people when a family who were preparing to leave for Missouri, were caught here by the storm. They were without money to buy food, the man having paid out nearly all he had for railroad fare. There being no trains so that they could get away, they were forced to stay in the station for several days. Some railroad men made up money to buy food for them. There were a number of small children in the family and all were very thinly clad.

Fireman O'Neil and Wallace who carried sandwiches and coffee to the snow-bound train, 10 miles south of Texline, returned to Texline on horseback and were ready to go out on their regular runs when trains began to move. The passengers made up a purse and presented them for their heroism in undertaking so dangerous a task.

The Franklin hotel was taxed to its capacity in taking care of the passengers who were held here for several days on account of the trains being delayed by snow drifts. There were over 100 passengers on the C. & S. trains which were held here and under the Texas laws the railroad company was compelled to feed all who were delayed more than 24 hours.

**Woman and Baby Freeze to Death**  
Melrose, N. M., March 6.—Word was brought here by cattlemen that a woman and infant had been found frozen in the Gramma valley. The woman, name unknown by these men, lived alone and had apparently become alarmed and tried to reach a neighbor. She and the babe had perished when about half the distance had been covered.

The same men tell of probing in the snow drifts for missing sheep and burros and of digging out four sheep and three burros that had been buried in drifts for four or five days. All were lively except one burro.

An old Mexican sheep herder, claiming to be 70 years of age, says that no such storm has been known along the Pecos in that time. Dog-frenzied hordes, testify that they know its like has not been known on the river in 33 years. Yet, owing to a few hours of real cold weather, the flocks and herds have not suffered much.

Rev. Hedgpath went to Santa Rosa Thursday morning to deliver a lecture for the First Methodist church at that place.

## CURRY WILL HELP BOOST ROOSEVELT

Congressman Has Arrived in Santa Fe and Will Launch Boom for the Colonel

THINKS ROOSEVELT WILL WIN

He Has Had Conference With the Ex-President and is Familiar With His Plans

Santa Fe, N. M., March 6.—Convinced that one year hence Theodore Roosevelt will again be president of the United States, George Curry, member of congress from this state, returned to New Mexico with the avowed intention of launching a Roosevelt which he hopes will have some favorable results for the Rough Rider candidate for the presidential nomination.

It is not known how long Congressman Curry will remain in New Mexico. He will probably return to Washington at the earliest possible moment. Mr. Curry is one of the most enthusiastic Roosevelt supporters in the country, and is said to have had a conference with the colonel before leaving the East, during which he became familiar with the general plans for the Roosevelt campaign as far as known at the present time.

## TUCUMCARI BUNCH AT RANCH

R. B. Vaughan, of the Bell Ranch, was in town last Saturday and dropped into our office for a pleasant call, and he said the Tucumcari bunch evidently enjoyed themselves, and as evidence of same, he found the following after their departure:

Feb. 26, 1912  
We the undersigned do hereby pledge our word of honor that: We will certainly never miss the chance of coming to the Bell Ranch again:  
Amey, J. J. J.

Signed: Mrs. Roy Welch, Lulu B. Lecker, Mary La Kelly, Emma Jones, Elizabeth Trapp, Hattie Harrison, Nellie Hershberger, Willie Parker, "Fatty" Follenberg, "Skippy" Follenberg and Mrs. Robinson.

What's the matter with the Bell Boys?  
They're all right!  
What's the matter with the Bell Boys?  
They're out of sight.  
When it comes to doing things up brown they can beat anybody in any old town.  
What's the matter with the Bell Boys?  
They're all right!

What's the matter with the Tucumcari bunch?  
They're all in!  
What's the matter with the Tucumcari bunch?  
Where've they been?  
They've been to the Bell Ranch to an all-night dance.  
And are going again if they get a chance.  
What's the matter with the Tucumcari bunch?  
They're all in!

## LOOK OUT, HUSBANDS! WIFE MAY SEARCH POCKETS

They Have that Right According to a Recent Decision in Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, March 6.—According to a decision by Magistrate MacFarland here, a wife has a perfect right to rifle the pockets of her husband, take his last cent, and the husband has no redress.

The decision was made in the case of John Dorcas, arrested for non-support. Dorcas pleaded that he was forced to leave his wife because she insisted upon going through his pockets nightly and relieving him of every cent she could find. The magistrate announced that according to law, that which belonged to Dorcas also belonged to Mrs. Dorcas, and it did not make any difference how she got it.

## MRS. HENDERSON DEAD

Mrs. Myrtle Henderson, wife of Prof. Henderson, died at the family home, Thursday morning at 11:55. The funeral services were held from the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The services were under the auspices of the Eastern Star Chapter of which order the deceased was a member.



And I always thought he was a friend of mine. But look at him now.

## HAS SOUTH POLE BEEN DISCOVERED

Report that Robt. F. Scott, the English Explorer, Has Finally Reached the Goal

## COMES AS A STARTLING CLIMAX

Five Explorers of Different Nationalities In An Exciting Race for the Pole

London, England, March 7.—Robert F. Scott, the English Explorer, has discovered the South Pole, according to a dispatch to the Daily Express from Wellington, New Zealand.

The dispatch says that Capt. Roald Amundson, the Norwegian explorer, who was one of Capt. Scott's chief rivals in the polar search, has declared that Capt. Scott succeeded in reaching the South pole. Capt. Amundson is returning from his expedition.

The announcement comes as a startling climax to the race which five explorers of different nationalities have been making to reach this last extremity of the undiscovered portion of the globe.

## WOMEN MAY CAST VOTES THIS SPRING

Complex Situation Has Arisen Out of Provision in Constitution of New State

Santa Fe, N. M., March 4.—A peculiar situation has arisen out of the provision of the new state constitution giving the women the right to vote at school elections, and Attorney General Frank W. Chaney ruled that this clause goes into effect at the rural school elections in April, although no registration or other procedure has been yet provided, when the women for the first time in the history of New Mexico will go to the polls, but that another provision that school elections must be held separately from other elections, will prevent the election of school directors in incorporated municipalities at the municipal elections in April, until the legislature prescribes time and procedure, the present school directors holding over for the present, although their terms have expired.

## TEXAS COMMITTEE FAVORS COLONEL ROOSEVELT

Ft. Worth, Texas, March 5.—By a vote of 27 to 1 the candidacy of Col. Roosevelt was endorsed today by the Texas state Republican executive committee. Supporters of Taft thereupon decided to carry their fight before the voters by some method yet to be worked out.

## EZRA HAAS PARALYZED

On Tuesday night of last week Mr. Haas was walking along the street and fell and was unable to arise. Neighbors found him there and carried him to his home, a physician was called and it was found that his entire left side was paralyzed.

He is 77 years of age and has resided in Tucumcari for three years. His present condition is inclined to be improving.

## POSTMASTERS ARE NOW BEING COERCED

This Allegation of Senator Bristow, Who Introduced Resolution for Federal Investigation

## AN ILLUSTRATION GIVEN BY HIM

Claimed that Postmasters are Being Forced to Support the Candidacy of Mr. Taft

Washington, D. C., March 6.—A thorough investigation to determine whether postmasters are being coerced in the interests of any presidential candidate is contemplated in a resolution introduced by Senator Bristow of Kansas, a progressive Republican.

The resolution, apparently aimed at President Taft, would argue an inquiry into reports that ten nominations for postmasters in North Carolina, recently were withdrawn by the president to influence politicians in that state.

The inquiry, probably by a subcommittee of the Senate Postoffice committee, also would be directed to ascertain whether postmasters are being threatened with removal if they fail to give their support to certain candidates and whether postoffice inspectors are being sent through the country as political emissaries.

The resolution created quite a stir and there was an intimation that federal office holders in the south, friendly to Theodore Roosevelt, were being harassed. Mr. Bristow presented a letter from Postmaster George R. Lewis at Bessemer, Ala., addressed to W. J. Marks, a postoffice inspector. Lewis is a supporter of Mr. Roosevelt and the letter was written in response to one reproaching him for engaging in "pernicious political activity."

Lewis declared that his reprimand was due entirely to his support of the former president charged in retaliation that Alabama was "boasting with political activity," in behalf of President Taft.

At Mr. Bristow's request, the clerk began reading a letter, but had not proceeded far when Senator Walbridge objected. He declared it to be "an extraordinary proceeding" and said the reading of letters criticizing the president should not be tolerated by the senate.

Senator Bristow then called for the letter and read it himself, the senate giving careful attention. The writer, especially charged activity in behalf of President Taft by Truman H. Aldrich, postmaster at Birmingham. The resolution was referred to the committee on contingent expenses.

## GROSS, KELLY CO. FILES SUIT FOR \$11,747.95

Albuquerque Firm Has Not Paid Notes that Were Due in the Allegation  
Albuquerque, March 6.—Neill B. Field attorney for Gross, Kelly & Co., has filed a suit in the district court asking judgment against Simon Bibb and Nathan Bibb for \$11,747.95 and attorney's fees, alleged to be due on promissory notes given to the plaintiff company. The notes are dated at various times between April 2, 1908, and July 1, 1910.

## MRS. R. P. DONOHOO IS A DELEGATE

To the National Child Welfare Conference to be Held in St. Louis, Missouri

## OTHER APPOINTMENT ARE MADE

Judge Pope Has Named Two United States Commissioners and a U. S. Marshal

Santa Fe, New Mexico, Mar. 6.—Governor McDonald has appointed an entirely new state board of education, as follows: Dr. F. H. H. Roberts of East Las Vegas, president of the normal university; Dr. C. M. Light of Silver City president of the state normal school; Bonifacio Montoya, of Bernillo, Rev. C. C. Hill, of Roswell, M. D. Taylor of Aztec, Gov. McDonald and Superintendent of Public Instruction Alvan N. Hill are ex-officio members of the board. The governor has also announced the following other appointments: J. D. W. Vender, of Las Vegas to be a member of the board of regents of the normal university at Las Vegas, vice F. H. Pierce, deceased; Rosalia Lopez of Tularosa, to be a member of the board of trustees of the New Mexico blind asylum at Alamogordo, vice C. Meyer resigned; Van T. Manville and Jackson Agee, of Silver City regents of the New Mexico normal school at Silver City, one being a reappointment and the other vice W. R. Walton, resigned; Mrs. R. P. Ashland and Mrs. N. B. Laughlin of Santa Fe; Mrs. J. H. Hicks of Santa Rosa, Mrs. W. S. Praeger of Roswell; and Mrs. R. P. Donohoo of Tucumcari delegates to the National Child Welfare conference at St. Louis on March 20th.

State Treasurer O. N. Marron has distributed more than \$20,000 of forest reserve money for good roads and public schools among counties according to the acreage of national forests within their boundaries.

Federal Judge William H. Pope has appointed Chas. M. Foraker of Albuquerque, brother of former Senator Foraker, of Ohio, United States marshal interim. Foraker had been the United States marshal while New Mexico was a territory, but as his commission read for the territory and not for the state, the temporary appointment was necessary until President Taft can make an appointment and the appointee qualify. There is a bitter fight over the marshalship, the Republican organization of the new state having recommended Secundino Romero, of Las Vegas, to succeed Foraker. Judge Pope also appointed H. R. Whiting, of Albuquerque, and B. Y. McKeeves, of Deming, United States Commissioners.

The J. D. Culley Company of Roswell has filed incorporation papers, the capital being \$10,000, and the incorporators and directors H. H. Hendrick, J. D. Culley and J. S. Cooper, of Roswell.

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## MEXICAN LABORERS LOSE RAILROAD JOBS

Missouri Pacific Railroad Will Not Use Them on Track Work Any More

Wichita, Kansas, March 4.—Some time ago Superintendent Webb of the Missouri Pacific here decided to rid the pay roll of all Mexican laborers and employ white or negro laborers. The move involved some 600 Mexicans and was made because the days when they could not work or the monthly appropriation ran out many freight cars were broken into and robbed of merchandise. The robberies were traced to the Mexicans.

This was the day on which the notification was to be given the laborers that they would no longer be connected with the road, but the foreman here had a difficult time making them understand. "No sabe" was all they would say and go off shaking their heads. There are 300 employed here and they hated to give up their warm bunks and go out and look for other jobs. They will not be allowed to work longer for the Gould system.

W. H. Bunch and Orin E. Baygh, of Hassell, were in town Monday of this week on business, and gave this office a pleasant call.

## POLICE WORSE THAN COSSAKS

This is the Charge Made Before the Congressional Committee Investigating Lawrence Strike

## WOMEN BEATEN WITH CLUBS

Workers Say They Were Forced to Appeal to Foreign Powers for Protection

Washington, D. C., March 4.—Samuel Lipson, manager of the Lawrence committee told the house committee on rules today that he had never become an American citizen because he found it necessary to spend for shoes for his children the \$4.00 that naturalization papers would cost.

At the outset of today's hearing, Chairman Henry announced that no one but members of the committee would be permitted to ask questions and cautioned the strikers to refrain from any demonstration such as characterized the hearing Saturday.

Representative Wilson of Pennsylvania, submitted a letter from Dudley Holman, secretary of Governor Foss, of Massachusetts, declaring conditions at Lawrence had been exaggerated greatly. The police, he said, were not biased and were acting in the best interest of the children who were sent away from Lawrence.

Representative Hardwick of Georgia, inquired of Lipson, the purpose of sending children away from Lawrence. "Was it for their own good or to arouse sympathy throughout the country?" he asked.

"It was to save for them, to keep them from the dangers of the strike," said Lipson.

When we tried to get the children to the train," Lipson continued, "the police pushed the women and children with clubs. They acted worse than the Russian Cossacks in times of revolution. Things were so terrible that we decided to appeal to our ambassadors at Washington for protection. We decided to find out if Lawrence was in Massachusetts and if Massachusetts was in the United States."

"The most of you are foreigners and you decided to appeal to a foreign government rather than to the United States for protection?" asked Representative Hardwick.

"If necessary," Representative Campbell asked Lipson if the strikers had sent a committee to the mill owners. Lipson said a committee was sent on one occasion and the members were thrown down stairs. This, he said, he did not see.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, addressed the committee. He said he wished to appear in support of the resolution for the inquiry rather than as a witness.

"The statement has been made that the United Textile workers had failed to organize these people and were organized merely to get money for the workers," said Mr. Gompers. "If that statement were true the United Textile Workers ought not to exist. But it is not true. The truth is that the tyrannical attitude of the mill owners of Lawrence in perverting the minds of these people caused these conditions."

## Textile Workers Continue Strike

Lawrence, Mass., March 4.—The striking textile workers maintained most of their strength when the mills opened to day despite the overtures of the manufacturers in the form of a five per cent increase in wages. There are still more operatives out of work than there are in the mills.

Picker lines totalling more than 5,000 persons paraded Essex street and the approaches to the mill gates but there was no conflict with the police.

Unless there is great response within a few days to the mill owners' offers, it is thought by city officials and others that the mills will have to shut down.

## SUNSHINE AGAIN

New Mexico is once more the land of sunshine. At least it was yesterday, when this was written and the sun looked pretty good too, after the kind of weather that has been in order for the past week. But there is one thing sure, New Mexico has not had such crop prospects for several years.

C. C. Reed, of San Jon, was in town Wednesday on business.